

**RSU No. 5 Board of Directors Meeting
Wednesday, December 11, 2024 – 6:30 p.m.
Freeport High School - Library
Meeting Minutes**

(NOTE: These Minutes are not official until approved by the Board of Directors. Such action, either to approve or amend and approve, is anticipated at the January 8, 2025 meeting).

1. CALLED TO ORDER:

Chair Michelle Ritcheson called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

2. MEMBERS PRESENT: Colin Cheney, Candace deCsipkes, Malik Farlow, Cheyenne Farrell, Danielle George, Kara Kaikini, Elisabeth Munsen, Michelle Ritcheson, Kelly Sink and Phoebe Williamson, Student Representative

MEMBERS ABSENT: Maura Pillsbury. There is a vacant Freeport seat

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

4. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES:

A. **VOTED:** To approve the Minutes of November 20, 2024. (George – Munsen) (9 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

5. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

None

6. GOOD NEWS AND RECOGNITION:

A. Report from Board's Student Representative - Phoebe Williamson

7. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

8. REPORTS FROM SUPERINTENDENT:

A. Superintendent's Report

B. Resignations: Wendy Cannon - MSS/PES STEM Teacher
Ashley Dame - DCS Ed Tech

C. Support Staff New Hires: Alyssa Herling - DCS Ed Tech
Andrew Chasse - FMS Office Secretary
Henock Apamato - FHS Custodian

9. ADMINISTRATOR REPORTS:

A. Finance - Kelly Wentworth

B. Update from Technology Department and Goal Review - Sam Rigby

C. Update from Facilities Department and Goal Review - Glen Reynolds

D. Update from Instructional Support Department and Goal Review - Elisha Morris

10. BOARD COMMENTS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Board Information Exchange and Agenda Requests

-Michelle Ritcheson mentioned the October MSMA fall conference. She also updated the Board on the Town Leadership meeting that was held on December 4, 2024.

-Kara Kaikini asked when the new Freeport Board member would be appointed. Michelle Ritcheson informed the Board they will be appointed at the Town Council meeting on December 17, 2024.

B. Finance Committee

11. POLICY REVIEW:

A. VOTED: To approve 2nd Read of the following policies. (Farlow – Munsen) (9 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

1. AC - Nondiscrimination/Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action
2. ACAB - Harassment and Sexual Harassment of Employees
3. ACAB - R Employee Discrimination/Harassment and Title IX Sexual Harassment Complaint Procedures (Revised into two new procedures ACAB-R1 and ACAB-R2)

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

13. NEW BUSINESS:

None

14. PERSONNEL:


A. VOTED: To employ Kate Parkin as an Interim Assistant Principal at Durham Community School from approximately February 3, 2025 until approximately April 4, 2025. (Munsen – Farlow) (9 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.

15. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Colin Cheney, Freeport

16. ADJOURNMENT:

VOTED: To adjourn at 7:26 p.m. (Farrell – Sink) (9 – 0) The Student Representative voted with the majority.


Jean M. Skorapa, Superintendent of Schools